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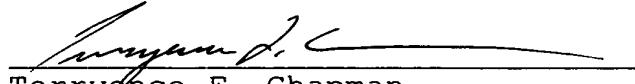
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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE**

Sir:

Further to the Response dated March 29, 2006, Applicants are enclosing a certified English-language translation of priority Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-055048 to perfect Applicants' foreign priority date of February 28, 2003. Since Yamada et al and Altman et al have publication or filing dates prior to the filing date of the priority application, it is respectfully submitted that these references are not available against the currently presented claims. Favorable consideration is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

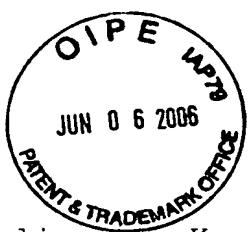


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## DECLARATION

I, Ritsu Ominami, residing at Mikado Bldg., 5F, 29-21, Takadanobaba 1-chome, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 169-0075, Japan, do hereby declare that I am familiar with the English and Japanese languages and that the annexed document in the English language is a full and faithful translation, prepared by me, of the certified copy of the Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-055048 filed February 28, 2003.

Dated this 25th day of May, 2006

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